MONTEREY NEWS

JUNE 1989

TOWN NEWS

Town Meeting 1989

Voters at this year's Town Meeting disagreed in several cases with conservative Finance Committee recommendations on line items and raised by $4,618 the amount endorsed jointly by the Selectmen and the Finance Committee. Even so, the increase over the past year's budget was only $1,950, or 0.16 percent. This was made possible partly by voters exempting several large capital expenses from the limits of Proposition 2½. These were $100,000 for a road grader, $16,000 for school district purchases, $12,900 for computer hardware and software, and two unspecified amounts required for two bond issues for the school district. Although it was voted to raise and appropriate $43,800 for the revaluation of real estate in town, this one expense was rejected in the ballot vote on exemptions from 2½. Where this money will come from will be decided later at a Special Town Meeting.

Expenses doubled on the upkeep of Town offices now that the Town is no longer sharing costs with the regional school district. Last year's total was $5,000, while this year, according to Matt Williams, "Fuel alone is $5,000." Eleven thousand dollars is the projected total expense for this year.

The Police Department got a long overdue salary raise (from $12,320 to $18,150). There was an allotment of $2,220 approved for bulletproof vests for the policemen, and the Fire Department got $7,000 worth of turnout gear. Miraculously, costs at the Disposal Area went down from $74,400 to $60,000; health insurance for Town employees went up about $7,000; and the Park Commission asked for, and got, an almost 50% raise in its budget. It was reported that Monterey's Stabilization Fund is at about $95,000 now, and the goal is to get it up to $150,000 and "work off the interest," according to Treasurer Maryellen Brown. A hefty $12,000 was approved to construct an entrance ramp at the Town Hall to honor an agreement made with the Grange when the Town offices were moved there; $16,470 was approved to fund a study of Lake Garfield relating to weed control.

There was some debate over the propriety of including a $3,500 light sander in the Machinery and Tools budget. At issue was whether the machine, carried in the back of a pickup truck, should be called a capital expense and written up in a special article or can be called an "attachment," similar to a detachable snowplow and buried in the $20,000 M&T account. Eventually, the sander was allowed to remain as an entry in the account. Considerably more dissension arose over an article creating a new by-law which would fine owners of dogs not restrained within the bounds of their owner's property. Objections ranged from complaints about the erosion of the

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Dylan Moulton honors Monterey servicemen of World War II

freedom of country life to demands that the fines be made even higher than stated. Finally, the article was tabled for revision of wording.

Election Results

Winners in the contested elections were N. Robert Thieriot, Planning Board; Dean P. Amidon, Board of Appeals; William H. Bohn, Finance Committee; Anne Marie Makuc and A. Mark Mendel, Library Trustees; and Rudolph Gero, Cemetery Commission. Uncontested elections were Hans T. Kessler, Auditor; Maryellen Brown, Treasurer; Sheldon Fenn, Finance Committee; James J. Thomas, Park Commission; Roger C. Tryon, Tree Warden; and Raymond Tryon, Constable.

Announcements from the Selectmen

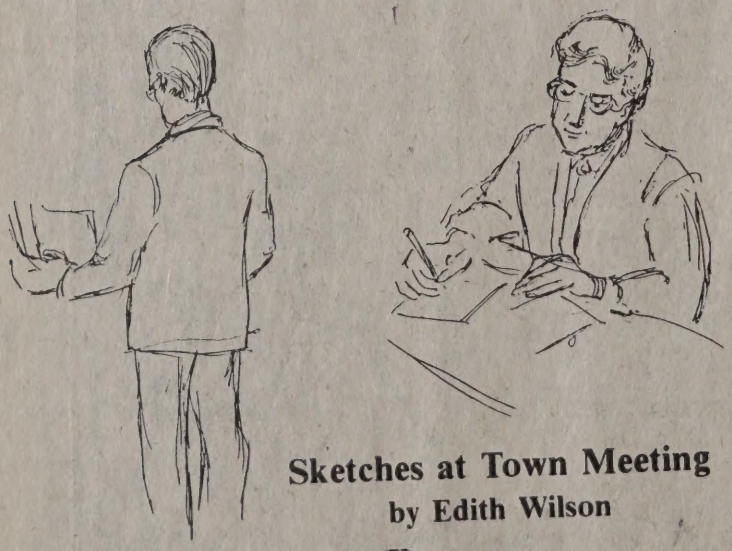
The Board would like to remind all newly elected officers of the Town that they must appear before the Town Clerk to be sworn into office.

The summer hours for the Monterey Disposal Area will begin Sunday, May 28, 1989, as follows:

SUNDAY	10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (unchanged)
SATURDAY	8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (unchanged)

Stickers for authorized users' vehicles may be obtained at the Town Office on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

— Ellen K. Pearson



Sketches at Town Meeting

by Edith Wilson

CHURCH NEWS

In the last issue I commented on the symbols of closet, house, sanctuary and street, and how they represented a holistic view of the church's ministry. May has been a time for our congregation to explore these symbols in preparation for planning the direction of our ministry. We took a large empty box and transformed it into a closet, then a house, a sanctuary and then added a street. Each week in worship we focused on the shape of our ministry.

After all that preparation we met together to plan programs that would affirm expressions of individual faith (closet), the need to learn and share together in small groups (house), the congregational gathering for celebration and ritual (sanctuary), and the commitment to reach out and minister to the needs of others (street). Here, then, are the priorities we saw in each area:

CLOSET:
1. share devotional materials by establishing a library of printed and taped resources.
2. continue utilizing the Sunday bulletin as a meditation booklet.
3. hold retreats/workshops that emphasize spirituality and meditation.

HOUSE:
1. expand bible study on a regular basis.
2. have monthly, Sunday potluck dinners that include fellowship, study and recreation.
3. develop an "Adult Forum" series where people can learn about and share their views on important issues.

SANCTUARY:
1. expand our music program by hiring a piano/organ accompanist.
2. involve more lay people in the planning and participation of worship.
3. plan special worship events on specific themes that emphasize creativity.

STREET:
1. develop an organized response (mission) that addresses specific social issues and the needs of the Monterey community.
2. create a calling program that would reach out to people in the community utilizing personal and printed contact.
3. continue and expand our ministry to children through the "Good News Gang."

As of now these are only priorities. Soon they will be focused into goals and objectives. We think this is an exciting process and would welcome your ideas and comments.

Peace,

Cliff Aerie

VOX ED

China, the immense paradox.

A visit to China sets one's brain in a whirl. That fragment of roof tile, half buried in the dirt, may be two thousand years old. The age of this sophisticated culture is so great that members of the comparatively recent European civilization can hardly comprehend it. Emperors were building palaces and putting walls around entire provinces before the Europeans had discovered agriculture. Yet China's early advances led to ghastly over-population and environmental devastation. The forests vanished, the mountains became bare rock, and for centuries the people have lived next to death by starvation or floods. Anyone who is annoyed by the outcries of our own environmentalists, as we squander our own earth, air, and water, should visit China.

But what can an uninformed tourist tell the world about China after a three-week visit in Beijing and Shandong Province? The best I can do is contribute a few vignettes to the enormous literature created by outsiders about this fascinating and paradoxical land.

Bicycles: The quiet river of bicycles is the flow of the ocean of over a billion people. Before the insistent horns of the trucks and busses a way opens and then the highway, the street, the alley, again belongs to the bicycles. There are also adaptations of the wheelbarrow widely used. Human-power is abundant.

Agriculture: Everybody eats, now. In North China the wheatfields extend to the horizon. Aqueducts and ditches carry water from deep wells. Terraces climb up the hillsides. Soil is mined from the river beds or dug out of existing fields that are then planted over again, six feet lower. China has also put her great energy behind replanting and reforestation. Roses, shrubs and trees are everywhere along city streets. Highways, wheatfields and riverbeds are bordered by deep strips of poplars and willows; a haze of young cedars is greening the outlines of the bare, rocky hills.

Walls: In China a house is a walled enclosure: rooms and a courtyard. A village is a walled cluster of walled homes. Barnyards, schoolyards, factories, lumber yards are all walled. The town and cities were walled and, as mentioned above, whole provinces are walled. Finally there are the remains of the Great Wall, immense, tragic, snaking off for six thousand miles along the hillcrests. Europe had its share of walls and for the same reasons: civilization was built on oppression. We heard that the paving stones in the courtyards of the Forbidden City were laid seven layers deep for fear of assassins' tunnels. The courtyards and their great gateways have benignant names like Gateway of Peace and Contemplation, Garden of Heavenly Simplicity.

The streets are safe. We could go anywhere and be met with curiosity and smiles. There seems to be no drug scene, little crime in the streets, no gang of young toughs arrayed against society.

The students. We met them in schools, colleges and universities, and they were attractive, eager, intelligent, hardworking, dreaming of coming to the United States for more training, especially in the sciences. They are also an intelligent élite: some village children may get to a university, but it is rare. The students and their worldwide network in Hongkong, Europe, and the U. S. A. are idealistic and hopeful, as we have been seeing in the largest outpouring of student protest ever known, anywhere, against bureaucratic stagnation and special privilege.

— David P. McAllester

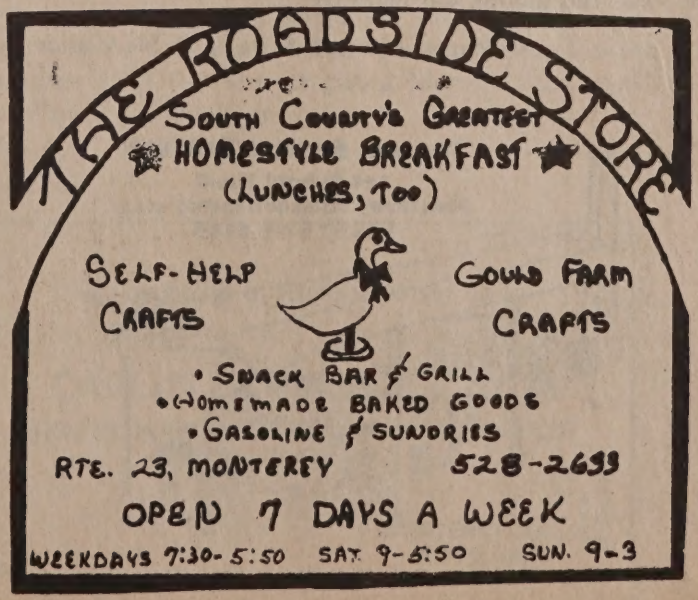
BOOK REVIEW

FOOD ALLERGIES: How to tell if you have them, what to do about them if you do. Neil S. Orenstein, Ph. D., and Sarah L. Bingham, M. S. New York: Putnam Publishing Group.

Both of these authors are fellow Monteregians. Neil is a practicing nutritional biochemist who has been on the staffs of Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts General and Beth Israel Hospitals, and his wife Sarah is a nutritional consultant to Solstice in Great Barrington. Together they have come out with an excellent paperback, one which deserves the attention of us all, whether we are actively or passively interested in nutrition. The aim of the book is to alert people to the possibility of numerous ailments being traceable to reactions to the food we eat, and the authors offer an almost painless way of finding out if one is allergic to any of the following: foods containing wheat, yeast, dairy products, eggs, corn or citrus. The basic idea is to go on an elimination diet for 7 to 14 days, avoiding all of the above and noting the results as one reintroduces each of the possible sources of irritation. Time and commitment substitute for expensive and possibly deleterious side-effects from drugs. It can't hurt, and it might help.

What is so fine about this book is its intelligent presentation. Not only are the allergic symptoms described and a questionnaire provided, but directions for the diet (with an emphasis upon all the good food you *can* eat!), and sample menus and mouth-watering recipes are included. To top it off is a list of permissible foods and products available from both health food stores and supermarkets, each conveniently analyzed for the contents listed above. This enables one to mark the numerous foods available that would be best for anyone suffering from a suspected allergy. We can all be proud of such a clear, concise, and helpful book coming out of Monterey.

— Alice O. Howell



SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ON ZONING

After months of meetings and consultations, the Planning Board presented a proposal to the Town on May 25 to create four new rural/residential/conservation districts. Lengthy and sometimes impassioned discussion followed, and the proposal was defeated 98 to 74. Also on the warrant were several transfers of monies, business left over from the regular Town Meeting on May 6. All these transfers were passed unanimously.

The Special Town Meeting was very well attended with approximately 172 voters present. The proposed zoning amendment was presented by Planning Board chairman Joe Baker, who showed a map of the designated conservation areas and maps from the 1975 town study showing hydrological and topographical reasons for the proposal. The amendments sought to increase the two-acre zoning with 200 feet of road frontage of the present residential/agricultural districts to four acres with 300 feet of road frontage in the conservation areas.

Those in favor of the new districts argued that the proposal was a step in the right direction to preserve the "rural character" of Monterey and protect the environment, especially in matters of water quality and slope erosion. Strong feelings were expressed that opposition to the proposal would be putting money values above environmental and even spiritual values.

Arguments against the proposed rural/residential/conservation zoning ranged from matters of personal hardship for the land owners in the new zoning areas to questions about whether the proposal really addressed the question of environmental protection. The fact that the Planning Board did not deal with soil quality was mentioned as a major fault in the new recommendation, since percolation tests are a significant factor in obtaining a building permit. The feeling was expressed that the townspeople needed more time to consider the proposal, and there were complaints that information had not been presented ahead of time in the *Monterey News*. [Editor's note: There were notices in the March and April issues of the *News* and a two-page spread with a map in the May issue.] Questions were raised about recent plans to subdivide, by Planning Board members and quite a few others, submitted before the new zoning would go into effect.

At one point during the meeting a motion was made to table the proposal to give folks more opportunity to think about the issue; this motion was defeated.

— Maggie Leonard & David P. McAllester

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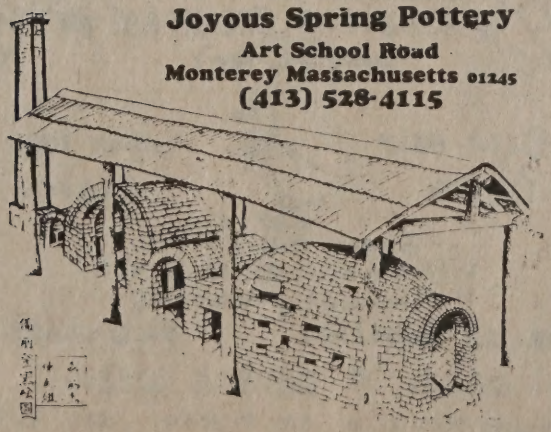

PLANNING BOARD NEWS

The Planning Board held its regular meeting on May 11. The members of the board were greeted by a mountain of plans submitted for the most part by people reacting to the news of the proposed Rural/Residential/Conservation District. In fact, some of the submitted plans were not within the proposed district, and it seems that rumor and innuendo had presented local surveyors with a mini boom.

The board discussed the upcoming Special Town Meeting and reviewed supporting arguments for the Rural/Residential/Conservation District. Also discussed were ideas for mobilizing voters to attend the Special Town Meeting.

— Maggie Leonard

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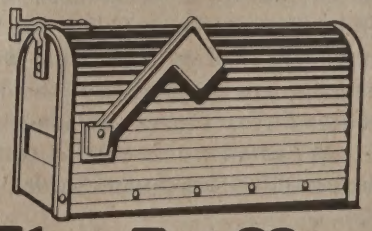

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WHO'S WHO IN MONTEREY
Georgiana O'Connell

Over the past year I've interviewed a wide variety of people for the *Monterey News*, young and old, diverse in their backgrounds, interests, and accomplishments. Yet one thing I found they all have in common is a passion for what they're doing. Georgiana O'Connell is no exception. An almost retired schoolteacher of 26 years and Monterey's first "selectperson," her love and concern both for children and their education and for Monterey are evident in just about everything she does. She's painfully shy when talking about her own accomplishments, yet mention her six children (all girls) and she's only too happy to brag a little.

"Gige," as she is better known to her friends, was born in Boston and grew up there and in Lynn, Massachusetts. She attended local public schools, then graduated from Simmons College, also in Boston, where she majored in editing and publishing. For the next four years she worked for Fairchild Publications in New York City, where she was the assistant to the city editor for *Retailing Daily*, a home furnishings newspaper.

In 1950 she married Eugene O'Connell, whom she describes as "a wonderful father, a kind, gentle, understanding man; I never heard him say anything bad about anyone." They had six girls, whom we'll talk about later. Eugene passed away two years ago.

In 1963 Gige began teaching first and second grade in the one-room Monterey schoolhouse. From 1967to 1970 she taught kindergarten. It was also in 1970 that she earned her master's in reading. From 1970 to 1973 she served as the reading consultant for the Lab School in Westfield, Massachusetts. In 1973 she was asked by the school committee to return to teaching in the New Marlborough Central School in Mill River. She's been there ever since, teaching first and second grade. She's also responsible for monitoring the curriculum and for conducting individual testing for each level. "I love my kids, and I love teaching," she says. "The children today require a lot more nurturing than they did ten years ago." She's retiring this month —after "26 wonderful years."

She was recently asked by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers to write about what she considered to be high quality education. With her permission, I excerpt the following: "Raising the self-image of every student is the single most important priority in quality education. If education is the fusion of teaching and learning it can only take place through a channel of positive self-image. Children come to our schools from varied backgrounds and with different needs; thus the

JIM LAFFEY

classroom must become the common landscape in which learning and teaching take place. As the child learns and succeeds he/she comes to feel that the student is a valued and special individual. It is perhaps then that students will leave the classroom with the skills necessary to succeed in our society."

Gige is quite proud, and rightfully so, of her six girls. Suzanne, 38, received her doctorate in geology and is the staff scientist at Texas A&M. Lynne, 37, is the mother of two boys, Andrew and Josh, and is a nutritionist in Cleveland. Adrienne, 35, works with mentally disabled adult clients at Berkshire Mental Health in Pittsfield, Mary-Anne, 30, is a special education teacher in Pittsfield. Gwynne, 28, is a presidential management intern with the Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, D. C. Joanne, 27, graduated from Notre Dame and is an architect in Boston. So now it's obvious why Gige is so proud of her "six wonderful kids".

Georgiana O'Connell is currently serving as Monterey's first selectwoman. She is not, however, new to politics; she's been the secretary of the Democratic Town Committee for the past 26 years. As a selectwoman she's charged with running Monterey's government, and overseeing all Town committees. "Monterey is a magnificent little town," she says. "I'm so fortunate to have landed in a town like Monterey. There's so much creative energy here, so much giving. Monterey has so much to offer, and to show people."

— Jim Laffey

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GET READY FOR THE MONTEREY SUMMER FESTIVAL

July 14, 15, 16, 1989

What are you gonna be for the Monterey Festival?

BE IN THE FOOT RACE!

9:00 a.m., July 15. Events for kids and adults. Registration forms in Monterey Store. Information: **Bob Gauthier**, 528-1624.

BE IN THE PARADE!

10:15 a.m., July 15.

Monterey Organizations, Committees, Boards, Institutions, Families and Individuals are welcome to create a float or marching unit depicting themselves or any other aspect of Monterey, past, present or future! Be a lake weed, a cornfield, a carpenter, a plumber, a sports event. Ride your horse, your bike, your bulldozer. Be in a chair, reading the *Times*!

Be in our fabulous, nowhere-else-on-earth Pick Up Marching Band. Play an instrument, beat a drum, play a kazoo. Twirlers and Drum Majors welcome!

Loan your open bed truck, flat trailer, your tractor to mobilize floats.

Call **Ellen Pearson**, 528-1988, to sign up for a spot or offer a vehicle.

PROMOTE YOUR CAUSE!

10:00 a.m.-4 p.m., July 15

Dispense information, educate the populace, make a profit, sell lemonade and cookies, support your organization or yourself. Gould Farm will staff the main pavilion food counter, but there's plenty of room for card table entrepreneurs. Kids especially encouraged to try their hand.

Call **Milly Walsh**, 528-4257, for food booths. See application for all other booths elsewhere in this issue.

SING AND DANCE; TAKE A CHANCE!

Singers, actors, musicians, dancers, acrobats and orators will be provided a stage and amplification. Come and entertain us!

Call **Jason Brown**, 528-5614, to offer your special talent.

HELP!

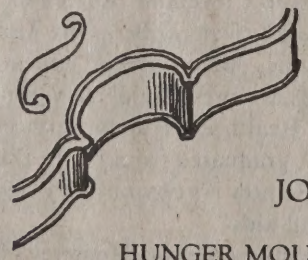
Helpers of all kinds are needed for setting up and taking down and overseeing the day.

Call **Donna Bartell**, 528-5874, to ask how you can help.

ATTEND:

The Ecumenical Service, Sunday morning, 10:00 a.m., at the United Church of Christ.

NOTE the Arts Council report on Friday night (July 14) activities in this issue.



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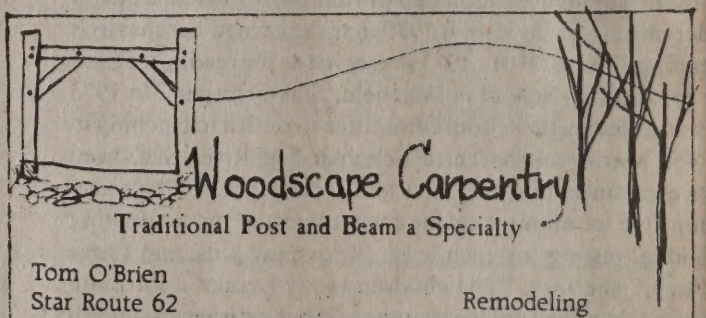

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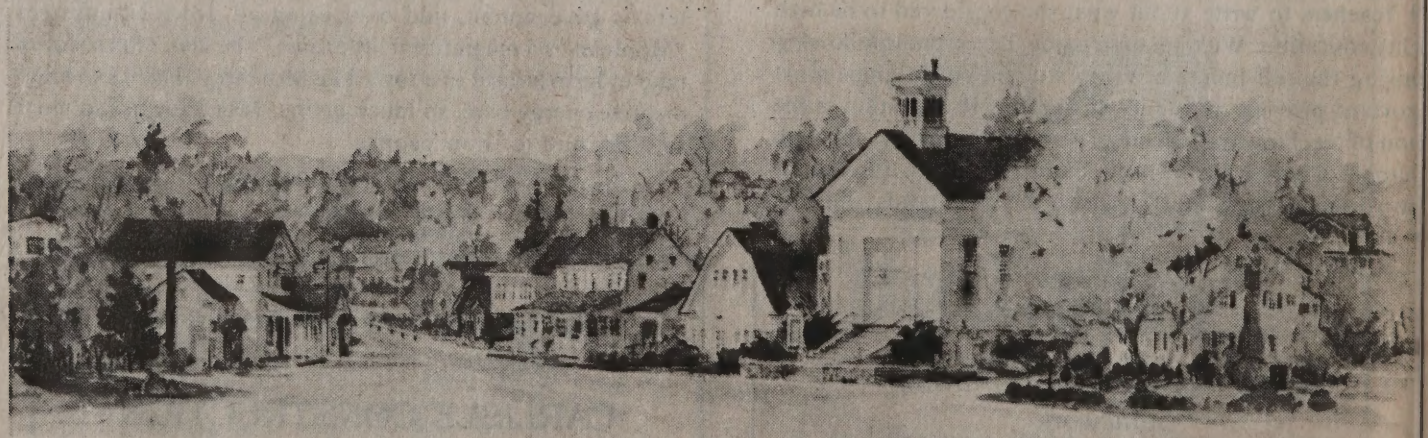

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ARTS COUNCIL NEWS

On Tuesday, May 16, the Arts Council met at its regular monthly meeting to go over plans for participating in the *SUMMER FESTIVAL 1989, July 14, 15, and 16!* The Council is proposing three events: First, an evening of chamber music Friday night at the United Church of Christ. The program, which will begin at 7:00 p.m., will feature groups from quartets, string and brass, to full orchestral ensembles. Tickets will be $7.50 with seniors and young people between 7 and 12 at $4.00. Children 6 and under, free. Refreshments will be served. Money from ticket sales will go to cover costs of the performance, to make an appropriate contribution to the church, and toward paying general expenses of the festival.

Saturday, July 15, the Council will set up a booth and small art exhibit in the Fire Company's pavilion. Like other Town committees in the festival the Council will be there to provide information about our local group, the Massachusetts Arts Lottery (state level) and the Performing Arts Student Series (P. A. S. S.) program.

Since the space available for our art show will be limited, we are going to restrict the exhibition to Monterey artists and craftspeople only. It's likely that we will be able to accept only one or two (small) entries per individual. A letter with detailed information about this will be going out soon.

Finally, on Sunday, we hope to arrange for an "Open House" at studios, workshops, and galleries in Monterey and in nearby towns. We hope to provide an informational map to all who enjoy gallery hopping and seeing where artists work.

— Frank D'Amato

MONTEREY FESTIVAL BOOTH APPLICATION

We/I would like to have a space in the Monterey Festival, July 15:

☐ 1/2 booth ☐ full booth

☐ 1-1/2 booth ☐ double booth

Signature

Print name

Evening telephone number

Suggested donations: full booth, 10′ x 6′, for Town committees and civic organizations, informational booth, $5; retailing booth, $10.

For Monterey retailers, $20; other retailers, $25. Priority will be reserved for Monterey residents until June 15.

Please send checks and relevant information, including evening phone number to Bob Thieriot, Box 173, Monterey, MA 01245.

ITEMS FOR FLEA MARKET SOUGHT

Among the special features of the Monterey Summer Festival will be a Flea Market for the Monterey United Church. We are accepting donations of things to sell and also items that people would like to present in the Flea Market on consignment. Anyone interested please call 528-4257.

— Milly Walsh

ALTON HEATH TOY EXHIBIT

So far I have received about 30 contributions of Alton Heath toys to be displayed at the art show on Monterey Day, July 15. Any Heath toy owners who would like to add their toys to the show should contact me at 413-528-1988, or write to Ellen Pearson, Box 264, Monterey, Massachusetts 01245. It will be a great show: the variety in design is wonderful to see.

— Ellen Pearson

SING WITH US AT THE MONTEREY FESTIVAL!

We are a group of men and women who get together to sing once a week. We're going to perform at the Monterey Summer Festival, May 15, and we need more voices to expand our sound. We sing everything from gospel to swing: old-time songs, folksongs, you name it. If you can stay on key singing with two or three other parts, come and learn our songs. Call Cathy Maye: 528-2516.

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SUMMERTIME IS HERE

Sticky warm juice from the soft orange runs down my chin.

The blazing sun reflects off of the gray water and causes the sand to sparkle as jewels from a fantasy land.

Softly a breeze blows and the wrappers from our sandwiches dance across the beach.

We run after them and throw them away.

The lifeguard blows his whistle for the umpteenth time. "No pushing in the water!"

Sunburned children carry buckets of water from the lake to fill the moats of their Camelots.

On the lake there is a waterskier cutting so hard that his jacket skims the top of the water. His face, set in deep concentration, is lost briefly as the glistening spray engulfs him.

There are a few brilliantly colored sailboats scattered about. Sails whip around as the wind changes directions and the passengers shout in delight.

Daydreams float freely about teasing the beachgoers.

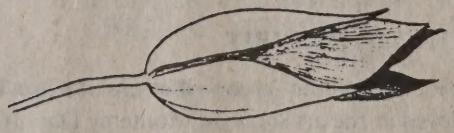
The summertime is new and full of possibilities.

It is an empty page waiting to be filled with new friendships and memories created daily.

Sunbathers smile as they lie—bodies toasted. Sigh! Summertime is here.

Enjoy it now.
Real life returns in September.

— Shannon Amidon



NEAR CANG ZHOU

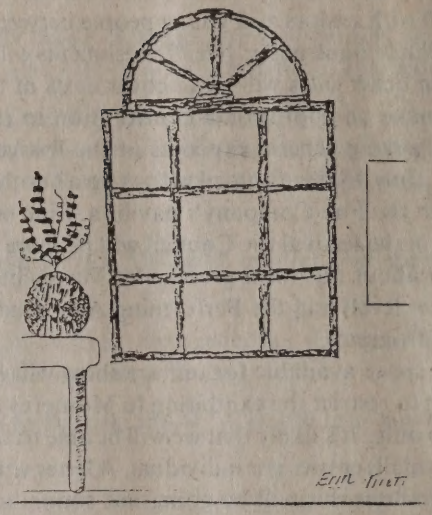
Girl in the bright red jacket,
Walking, thigh-deep, in the winter wheat,
Your head high, with jet bangs and long braid;
Walking past the grave-mounds of your ancestors,
You see my train through the avenues
Of poplars and willows whose green leaves
Are the hope of a new climate
For a new China.

— David P. McAllester

DANDELIONS

If dandelions were rare
Well worth an archangel's fee—
Coin of common earth
Gold spill of prodigality.

— Dorothy E. Law



TO A TODDLER

Dear little toddler busy at your play
In this, the happy springtime of your life,
May you soon learn of nature and her ways;
To know and love each bird and tree and flower,
The rainbow's beauty arched across the sky
And tiny fireflies dancing in the night;
To know the woodland creatures by their names
And recognize them when you hear them call.

— Eleanor Kimberley

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红装少女漫步在绿浪的麦田里，
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你从祖先的一序列里走过来，
留下了那行一列车花高大的柳杨林带已经。
啊，那是希望的风景和绿林，
正是中国未来的象征。 李国清

— Translated into Mandarin by Li Guo Qing

Mt. Everett H. S. Band prepares for its fourth parade of the day

Jennifer Swann

Memorial Day 1989

PHOTOS BY SUSAN McALLESTER

THE MONTEREY CUB SCOUTS TAKE ON MAJOR RECYCLING JOB

On Saturday, May 6, thanks mainly to the efforts of the Monterey Cub Scouts and their pack leader, Connie Ohman, the jam-packed and overflowing newspaper shed was emptied. Not only emptied, but swept clean! The scouts were Thomas Goewey, Jimmy Jones, Kevin Ohman, and Jason Tanner of Pack #51. Also assisting the efforts were Wayne and Christopher Burkhart, Rudy Gero, and Yours Truly.

Our scouts were working in conjunction with the Sheffield Boy Scouts Troop # 28. Sheffield Troop Committee Chairman Jack French and scouts George Coons and Michael Bailey piloted a truck between Monterey and Mallory's in New Marlborough. They helped us load, and when the truck was filled, off it went to Mallory's, where it was unloaded by the Sheffield contingent for a return trip to Monterey. There were three truckloads, each holding six tons.

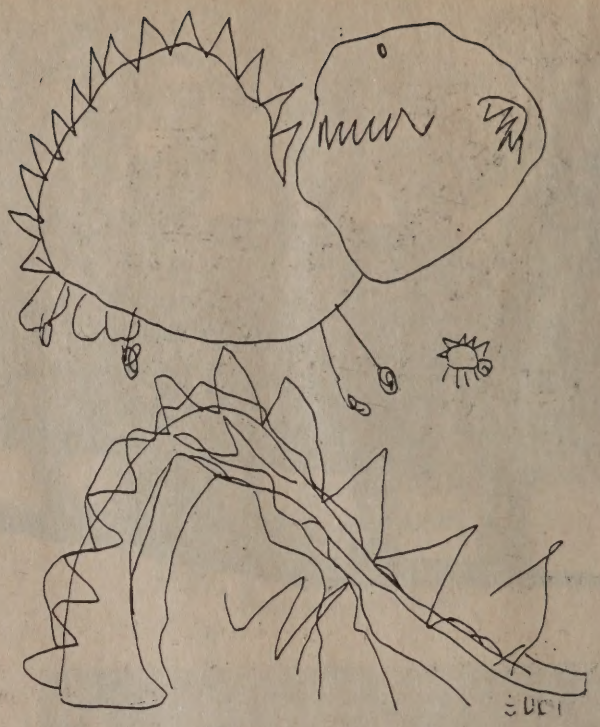
During the wait between trips, loose papers were piled, bundled and placed outside the shed. The newspaper recycling company who removed the papers this time requested that the papers be prepared for bulk handling. All loose papers had to be tied, boxed, or put in large size paper bags. Many people still fail to bundle their papers, so the boys had a great deal to do. *Please keep in mind that the papers you don't bundle must be handled by somebody.* This time we were lucky to have hard-working and *very* good-natured Cub Scouts to do the job.

As it turned out, it was an all-day job for the scouts. The rest of us left the shed around 1:30 p.m., considering the job mostly finished. The remaining papers were piled neatly outside, and all our scouts had to do was wait for the truck to return, load up, make the last trip to New Marlborough, help with the last unloading, and then all hands would repair to McDonald's for some long-awaited victuals. It would be all over by 3:00 p.m. or so. What actually happened was this: The truck got stuck in New Marlborough on the second trip, leaving our scouts hanging on at the dump until 4:00 p.m. By the time they finally got to McDonald's it was 7:30 p.m. Not a very fun way to spend a sunny Saturday. We owe the boys and Connie a big debt of gratitude for their diligence, good nature, and community spirit.

The scouts of Sheffield and Monterey are planning to use the proceeds from their newspaper endeavors to attend the Boy Scout Jamboree in Fort A. P. Hill, Virginia, next August. The trip will include camping on the Chesapeake, a visit to the National Space Museum and a visit to the Luray Caverns, and will wind up at Gettysburg, to stoke up on some Civil War history before returning home. It should be quite an experience, and they earned every bit of it!

— Joyce Scheffey

P. S. Anyone interested in joining the Cub Scouts should contact Connie Ohman at 528-1785.



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MONTEREY LIBRARY NOTES

Last month the library trustees bade goodbye to Judy Hayes, who served as a trustee for the last three years. She has left us to pursue other interests; we shall miss her professional expertise (since she is herself a librarian in Great Barrington), and wish her well. Judy was replaced by Mark Mendel, elected at the recent Town meeting. Even before his election, Mark contributed to the library—he repaired our sagging basement wall *gratis*. It is seldom that trustees begin to make their presence felt *before* their election. We thank Mark for his concern for the library, and I know that all of the trustees look forward to working with our new colleague.

It is nearly the start of the summer season, always the busiest in the library, as in the town generally. Remember that the Book Sale is coming up—what we really need more than more contributions is for people to come and buy books on the day, if only to take them off our hands. Plan on picking up some nice summer reading.

Just as a reminder, here are the times when the library is open:
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— John Higgins

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I look forward every month to reading the *Monterey News*. I look forward especially to letters and articles by people I knew, such as Jim Pearson; and those I didn't know reminisce about former times in a town I love. The articles about Beartown State Forest I found very interesting. I could also carry on with tales of past fun and adventure. I have many ties and friends still in town. My husband and I come back whenever we can. My special memories are of summer nights after work at Brookbend Inn or Sun-Inside, sitting on the church wall, sitting in the Tea Room, or taking a walk with friends—the stories and the laughter! Swimming at Lake Garfield with "the gang" or square dancing at the Grange Hall were favorite activities of us all. It seemed (and still seems) an idyllic time. Keep the memories coming!

— Leslie Ward Paine

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ANT ATTITUDES

A person's attitude toward ants probably depends almost entirely upon the place of encounter. That is, are we meeting this ant on a picnic? In our kitchen? In a moralistic fable? On a path in the woods? No doubt the person who swats, bombs or otherwise obliterates ants in the kitchen will leave them alone in the woods. This situation reminds me of a definition I once read of a weed: "a plant out of place."

Hot spring weather, after a cool rainy spell, has brought quite a few plants out of place to my garden, as well as ants to the kitchen. I'm fighting the weeds, tooth and claw, but the ants I leave alone. For me this represents an attitudinal evolution. I have not always enjoyed ants in the house.

We built this house ten years ago of red pine logs, cutting and peeling each one ourselves, hauling them in to our site, pulling them onto the walls with a block and tackle and ramps. We thought long and hard about pesticides and fungicides for our sill logs before bolting them down to the concrete foundation walls where they were sure to gather moisture. In the end we sold our gallons of wood preservative to a brave neighbor who was also building. He was afraid of carpenter ants and dry-rot; we were afraid of dioxins and cancer.

In a few years we had ants. They scrounged meals in our kitchen and ran along the logs in long single-file trails. When we discovered they were carpenter ants, *Camponotus herculeanus pennsylvanicus*, we got worried. It was easy, when the sills were new, to say we'd rather die by house-collapse than by dioxin-induced cancer. Now that the little creatures were actually at work, we realized we weren't quite ready to die either way.

Carpenter ants are big black ants. They do not eat wood, the way termites do, but they have a similar "economic importance" because they are so destructive to wood. Like their relatives the bees and social wasps, carpenter ants live in colonies which consist of a queen, infertile females called workers, and the winged males and fertile females. These last two groups don't stay long in the colony before they go off on nuptial flights. The winged fertile females start new colonies and become queens; the males do not live long after mating.

We read all we could on carpenter ants, figuring that although we were outnumbered terribly we were at least more intelligent. It remains to be seen how much good this has done us. What we learned is that many times the ant which sups in your kitchen actually lives out in the woodshed or even in the woods. It follows an ant trail, marked by ant-produced chemicals called pheromones, straight to the food source. This can be the honey jar, the sugar bowl, the cat dish, or the pile of crumbs under the highchair. Close examination of such a trail often reveals two-way traffic, with half the travellers heading back out, through some chink in the house, to a nest in a dead tree outside.

I recently found one such trail here. There was so much traffic on it that where it crossed our own path into the house it left a discernible cleared track about half an inch wide. It was only travelled at night, so I went out with a flashlight and discovered the ants, big black carpenter ants, left our house, crossed the path, went up the hillside through pine needles and saplings and finally right up a big poplar tree. We were so relieved not to have found a hole in a sill and a big pile of sawdust that we have felt quite neighborly toward these ants ever since.

A few years ago, though, we did discover a nest in a sill. The wood was damp and punky, easy carving for ants, and the cavity they had made was about the size of a nice big mango. It consisted of "galleries" or tunnels and we scooped it out, filled it with bricks, patched over it, and, yes, we bombed the ants. The way they writhed and struggled before expiring has made me doubly grateful that our current crop of ants lives out in the woods. I'm glad we didn't poison our whole house in an effort to keep out ants, but the localized poisoning of that colony in the sill was hard to bear.

We have other ant neighbors, most noticeably the little amber ones in the driveway. Every day their tiny crumbly volcanoes show up new moist grains of driveway subsoil as they make their underground nests. I can't imagine what their life must be like every time the UPS truck goes thundering overhead, but they obviously don't mind it enough to move.

We also have ants in the orchard, black ones with a reddish section. These live in mounds which they create by dragging material over and building up from the outside. You might not see the nest in tall grass, but you'll feel it give if you step on one, and if you are barefoot or barelegged, you'll probably get bitten. The biggest mound in our orchard is between the cherry trees, handy to a great food supply when the black cherry aphids come out.

The ants climb up the trees, find a cluster of aphids, and lick sweet "honeydew" from them. This is cherry-tree sugar, processed by aphids, loved by ants. As far as I'm concerned, they are welcome to it. I can't use it myself; I am just glad I don't have to think about dealing out more agony in defense of my homestead.

— Bonner J. McAllester

MONTEREY NATURE WALKS

There are still three openings for children ages 6 to 12 who would like to attend the Monterey Nature Walks. The walks will take place on Wednesday mornings, 9 to 10:30 a.m., June 21 to July 19, and will be led by Bonner McAllester. For more information or to register, call 528-9385. The walks are given under the auspices of the Park Commission and are free of charge, thanks to a grant from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council.

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THE MONTEREY GRANGE

The Monterey Grange #291 conferred third and fourth degrees at the May 3 meeting. The third degree was conferred by the Ladies Degree with Mary Wallace as Master. Worthy Master Tolitha Butler and the regular officers conferred the fourth degree. The conservation and agricultural exhibit at the Monterey Post Office drew a lot of compliments. Thank you all.

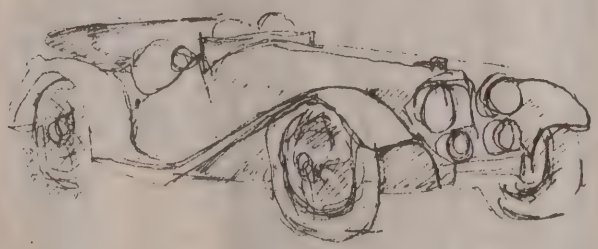
Pittsfield Grange No. 14 invited Monterey Grange to their awards night, May 5. Worthy Master Tolitha Butler recently helped with the degrees at Umpachene Grange No. 269. Welcome to our new member Josephine Oronsky. Guests were present from Sheffield, Stockbridge, and Umpachene. Sister Gertrude Legeyt was pianist.

The Grange was invited to Neighbors' Night, May 10, at Heart of Berkshires, and on May 26 at Huntington.

The Grange met on May 17; the theme of the program was "Mother, Music, and Memorial Day." The program was in charge of The Three Graces. The card party on May 13 was very successful, and the Grange wants to thank everyone who helped in any way. We have been invited to Booster Night, open to the public, at Sheffield Grange, No. 224, on June 6, starting with a covered dish supper at 7:00 p.m. The Grange will furnish the homemade cookies for the coffee hour at the Veterans Hospital in Northampton. The cookies are to be at Mary Wallace's house by June 2. The next meeting will be on June 7, for election of officers. Members are urged to attend this meeting.

Fraternally,

Mary Wallace



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PARK COMMISSION

We welcome Jim Thomas to our committee. He has already had his feet wet in Parks jobs with the ice skating rink which was such a success this winter. It was a lot of work and a lot of fun. And we shall miss Dek and his enthusiasm on the committee, but we shan't let him stray far. We'll see to it that he keeps his hand in. He was instrumental in making lots happen. Our new chairman is Tom Rosenthal, who has had two years to work into it. And I mean work—the committee's responsibilities grow and grow. We now have a year-round schedule. Hats off to both of them; they always come up smiling!

The dance was a success, with every amenity working out flawlessly and the participants dazzling the eye with wonderful fancy dress and even fancier footwork. We took a risk when we limited it to people from Monterey, and we got 150 people instead of the hoped-for 200. That means we ended up with a deficit. Anyone who is moved by their memories of the event to make a donation, please send a check, made out to the Town of Monterey, to the Park Commission.

Swimming lessons for the Town residents will be held at Lake Garfield the first two weeks in August starting July 31. Be sure to pick up your permission slip at the Monterey Store, Roadside Store, Walsh's or from a Park Commission member. Please return them to the Monterey Store.

The Red Cross classes, sponsored by the Park Commission, are offered to Beginners through Advanced Swimmers. Lifesaving classes and adult classes will also be offered—dates to be announced later according to the needs of the class. Kara Aiken and "Jim" Colodney (by popular demand) will be your instructors. Lifeguards will be Kara and Lisa Light, both extremely well qualified and personable.

Tom Gillis has created a brand new raft to replace the old one. Notice the sand replacement—thanks to Don Amstead and his road crew. Mark Makuc will have all the buoys, signs, etc. in place, and Tammy Jervas returns her lifeguard chair all refurbished. Beach passes are available at the Town Offices. They are now free to any Monterey resident, one per family. A request by mail will be honored if you enclose a self-addressed envelope. It must be available each time you go to the beach. The place to enter the beach will be only near the lifeguard chair at that gate. This is to make a more accurate accounting of the beach passes possible.

The Park Commission is meeting twice a month through the summer, the first and third Thursday as posted. Feel free to come to us with any comments or suggestions.

Enjoy your summer.

— Tom, Fran and Jim

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PERSONAL NOTES

Congratulations to **Joel Kalodner**, who has graduated from Phillips Academy in Andover. Joel, son of **Nancy Kalodner** of Mt. Hunger Road, will be attending Haverford College in Pennsylvania this fall. All our best to you, Joel!

An update on the **Westenburg** family. **Dick** recently conducted his last concert of the season in Avery Fisher Hall and finished the season on May 6 with a concert with Dave Brubeck at Rutgers University. **Judy**, who has traveled over 50,000 miles with their son **Mario** (now 1½ years old) will complete her season with concerts at the Bach Festival in Berea, Ohio. **Eric** has been managing a ski shop in Squaw Valley, California, and plans to spend some time at their Lake Garfield home this summer. **Kirsten** also plans to be at the lake this summer. She has completed two years with Kaiser Associates in Washington, D. C., and will attend Harvard Business School beginning in the fall. A *very* busy family!

Nan Merrill writes of continued joy in her work in the inner city in Detroit, and her discovery of a place to live with woods, meadow, pond, right near Lake Huron. She has visions of developing a community center there: knowing Nan's spiritual power, we're sure it's going to hapnen! She sends warm greetings to all her friends.

Jen Brown and **Brooke Loder**, both students at Mt. Everett Regional High School, took part in an exchange program with French high school students this spring. After hosting their French visitors, the girls then travelled to France in April for a two-week stay, attending classes there and sightseeing. What a great experience!

Warm greetings to **Arthur** and **Alice Somers** of Rock Ridge, who have rejoined us after a "forever" stay in Mexico. So glad to see you both!

March and April seem to be Florida getaway months. Welcome back to **Tracey Mendel**, who, along with children Julian and **Bridget**, enjoyed a trip to visit Tracey's mom. **Mark** even managed to get away and join them for a few days! **Maryellen Brown** enjoyed a few days there visiting her mom and son **Douglas**, who is a student at the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne. The **Scutellaro** family enjoyed a "serious" visit (will explain later) and even got to meet Dick Gregory!

Good to see **Ellen Pedersen**, who just returned from a three-month stay in Bangladesh. Ellen is a nurse and used her experience to "help the very needy." Hope to hear more about her trip soon.

The whole **Higgins** family is off to Dublin for the summer. **John** has received a fellowship to read medieval Latin texts from Ireland. We're hoping to hear something about the libraries of Ireland for the August issue of the *Monterey News*.

Susan and **David McAllester** are just back from three weeks in North China on a study tour that included schools, hospitals, factories, farms and historic sites, with lectures on these and Chinese history and culture in general. They saw history in the making in Beijing and Jinan and are full of admiration for a huge and vital country.

Best wishes to **Jim Gauthier** as he begins his new job with The Cooper Group, an interior design firm in Boston. Hear Jim is feeling "settled in" already and loving it. Shall I keep going? Best wishes also to **David**, who recently moved from Boston to Texas, to **Pam** on her career change from business to working with young children, and to **Jeff**, who is an electrician in New Hampshire and loves it. They are the children of **Bob** and **Barbara Gauthier** of Main Road.

Once again, it's such a pleasure to see so many of our Monterey students named to the honor roll list for the third quarter. Our congratulations to the following: *Gr. 12, High Honors:* **Shelby Loder**; *Gr. 11, High Honors:* **Natasha Grotz** and **Anne Makuc**; *Gr. 10, High Honors:* **William Thieriot** and *Honors:* **Brooke Loder**; and, *Gr. 9, Honors:* **Olivia Williams**. In *Gr. 8, High Honors:* **Marta Makuc**; and *Honors:* **Christopher Burkhart**, **Kip Loder**, and **Michael Ohman**; and *Gr. 7, High Honors:* **Erin Sadlowski** and **Meghan Sadlowski**; and *Honors:* **Rachel Rodgers**, **Gabe Small** and **Bruce Snow**. Keep up the good work, all of you!

Very Happy Birthday Wishes to **Ezra Small** on April 27, to **Douglas Brown** on May 6, and to **A. Wallace Tryon** on May 31. And a Very Happy Anniversary Wish to **Alf** and **Lena Pedersen**, who celebrated their 35th on May 22.

What's happening with you or your family? Please jot down your news items and drop them at the General Store, or in the mail to me, just Route 23. *Or,* give me a call evenings: 528-4519. Truly appreciate it!

— Stephanie Grotz

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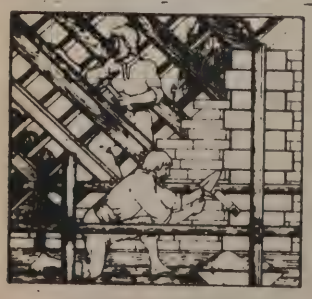

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THE LANGDON STORE AND HOUSE

As the story goes Capt. John Brewer was the first settler and built his house one half mile east of the village on the Otis Road. He came into the village on the Konkapot River and built a sawmill, later owned by Captain John Langdon. It is told that John sawed from this mill lumber to build for his son, Wilbur, the store known as the Langdon Store here in the village, as well as the house where Wallace Tryon and his wife, Marguerite, now live. John Langdon took over the store after his father's death. Henry is the first Langdon that I remember. The store has been remodeled inside quite a bit. At the front of the store between store and present post office was located a large platform scales owned by the Town, where loads of commodities could be weighed. London Clark was the owner of a large pair of horses that drew in the freight and grain for Henry Langdon. After having his load weighed he would drive around the east side of the store, under a large trap door, where would be lowered from the peak of the roof a rope tackle which was hooked to a barrel of flour to be pulled up to the first floor or whichever floor it was left on for storage. This place where the unloading was done sixty years ago has been closed in and made into a garage. As you went into the front door at the right was the post office, consisting of numbered small boxes where each person's mail was kept till called for. On the post was hung a small container, postal card size, where each day was put a postal card telling what the weather would be the next day. On the opposite side, next to the cheese box, in a glass-faced box were kept fresh roasted peanuts. The lid raised very easily and as a customer passed, his hand would snitch one or two peanuts. On the east side of the store was a shed that would tie up two or three horses and wagons. This shed was torn down and the present structure added for a larger post office, and so used until Charles Slater of Tyringham built the present post office. On the river bank was a building which was used for the storage of grain. After Henry Langdon's death this building was turned into a horse barn to keep the delivery horses and wagons that Mr. Langdon had kept at his own barn. This barn is where Noel Mahn now lives. As the automobile came in, Mr. Miner used it for a garage. It is now torn down and grassed over—a nice place to sit by the brook.

After the death of Henry Langdon, his widow, Mary Pease Langdon, went to Pittsfield to live with their daughter, Clara Langdon, selling their home to Henry Steadman who moved from Chestnut Hill to their new home here in the village. Henry's wife, Ellen Stratton Steadman, had died, and her sister Jane Cone came to do the work for Henry until Henry passed on, leaving the place to his son, Edward. This would be my uncle, Edward Steadman. Ed had married my mother's sister, Emma Amelia Burrows and in 1926 I had married Marguerite E. Steadman, a native from Tyringham, and, wanting a place to live, was able to persuade my aunt and uncle to sell to us the house and part of the land. When we became owners of the property we had to remodel to our liking. There had been a large porch around the front and north side of the house which we took off and built a stone entrance with stone steps to the front door. To retain the lawn in front of the house we built a retaining wall of cobblestone. On the east side, beyond the bay window, a lean-to had been built, consisting of a kitchen, water room, where water was piped from a well on the hillside, flowing to the barn and house and then to a large water trough beside the road where horses and cattle could have a cool drink of water. It was in 1927 that we exchanged a three-holer for a bathtub, stool and sink and put in town water, steam heat, and later on built the breezeway with a two-car garage. This garage was very expensive for a ledge of rock had to be blasted by an expert, Ray Blivin from Otis. It was my first attempt at laying cement blocks, but I learned by watching others. But I got what I wanted; the most convenient way of entering a car in bad weather. We did the upstairs into an apartment and have no trouble renting.

I have no idea how old this house is, but it is not one of the first in town. The house where I was born has tapered posts in all corners of every room, and for the Bidwell Store that I tore down where my garage stands in the village, hand made nails were used. I saved all the nails I could and sold them at 5¢ apiece to some builder in New York.

— from *History of Monterey* ms. by A. Wallace Tryon, 1973

Henry Langdon and his daughter Clara in front of the Langdon Store about 1897. Courtesy of the Monterey Historical Society.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In your last letter you asked, "How long were you at Fernway, and how did you get there?" My answer is: "from the beginning to the end." Roughly 17 years or so.... I recall "the young" Langdon brothers who owned and ran the only store; Wallace Tryon was about 17 or 18, a real country boy who walked about chewing on a piece of straw when he was not pumping gas at his tiny garage. Old Mr. Abercrombie was the minister; Ellery Heath and his sister were just kids; Nina Tryon was a delightful (thin) nice girl and all the boys were crazy about her.

Dr. Ives bought the Fernway Camp property in 1922 and owned it 'til 1938. The idea was to be an investment for his two then young daughters. But as time went on the elder married and became disinterested while the younger soon followed, so much of the camp's operation fell upon me. When the owners of Camp Owaissa across the cove bought the doctor out, I think I stayed with his Mt. V. practice 'til my marriage, and about a year later I moved permanently to Connecticut.

Recently I have been corresponding with Evalyn Stafford, the daughter of the caretaker of The Swann Forest Preservation. She lives in Santa Barbara, California, now.

Of course, there's more that might be of interest but that must wait for the next round!

Sincerely,

Ottalie Williams

To the Editor:

This letter concerns an incident which occurred while I was trying to dispose of lawn debris and garbage at the Monterey Town Dump recently. On Sunday morning, April 30, my brother and I loaded several lawn bags full of leaves and twigs into my car and my brother's pickup truck as well as several trash bags full of household garbage. All of this material came from my property on Steven s Lake.

At the dump Mr. Hadsell, the dump attendant, informed me that the contents of my brother's truck could not be disposed of because he lacked a permit. Although I had a valid one on display in my vehicle, and I stated that the debris was all of the same origin, Mr. Hadsell remained completely inflexible and became increasingly hostile and abusive. As I unloaded the contents of my car, Mr. Hadsell continued to harangue me and began using obscenities and insults in response to our requests for a clarification of Town rules.

After one minute of this abuse, Mr. Hadsell began making threatening gestures toward me. At this point, my brother intervened on my behalf, insisting that Mr. Hadsell maintain a civil tone in his remarks. Mr. Hadsell thereupon threatened bodily harm to my brother, telling him to remove his glasses so he could strike him in the face. At this point, two bystanders intervened and prevented a breakout of violence.

My brother and I withdrew both our vehicles to a point about 100 feet off the dump premises and began transferring the debris from his truck to my vehicle, thinking that in this way we would satisfy the narrow interpretation of dump privileges Mr. Hadsell seemed to be using. However, when I drove back up to the facility, Mr. Hadsell informed me that I suddenly could not dump any of my bags whatsoever due to the fact that they contained leaves. Now I would like to point out that I was unaware that bagged leaves were not permitted. I have dumped there on past Sundays (usually between 3 and 4 p.m. just before I head back to New York City) and no one ever pointed this out to me as the dump was unattended and the gates left open. We, therefore, left with the bulk of the debris still with us.

This experience has left us outraged. I willingly acknowledge that the lack of a permit on my brother's truck did not, in a narrow sense, fulfill dump rules and that leaves may not be disposed of at the facility. A courteous and professional individual could have made these points and we would have accepted them with no argument. However, Mr. Hadsell's violent and abusive response was absolutely unjustified. Upon our return home, we informed the Monterey Police Department of Mr. Hadsell's threats against us. Chief Douglas Lyman and Sergeant Hamm quickly agreed to meet with us, patiently listened to our complaint and graciously undertook the responsibility of having a word with Mr. Hadsell about his conduct. We were impressed with their professionalism and courtesy.

The purpose of this letter is to inform all responsible parties of Mr. Hadsell's highly unprofessional actions in the hopes that such a situation can be avoided in the future. After speaking with my neighbors and other residents of Monterey, it has come to my attention that this is not the first time Mr. Hadsell has abused and intimidated residents of this town while on the job.

It is not my intention to create unnecessary problems for a community that, on the whole, offers an excellent level of services to its citizens and residents. I am a resident of New York City and have bought weekend property in Monterey for the enjoyment of peace, quiet and solitude. I trust whatever steps are necessary will be taken to prevent ugly confrontations like this from happening again.

— Dro Proudian

To the Editor:

Thank you for keeping me up to date with the *News*. It always brings back such wonderful memories. I love Monterey but am not able to visit since living in Largo and Plymouth.

Charles and I were Brooklyn neighbors of Harold and Bea Schwab for 40 years and Lake Garfield neighbors from 1962 to 1982, when Charles became terminally ill and we sold to the Cash family.

I still have many friends in Monterey. The Makucs, Hastedts, McVeys, Colodnys, Helen Hanley and Irene, Walter Parks; many have moved or passed away. The *News* lets me know when friends and former neighbors die—recently Rose Zilka and Ted Falcon.

Is Father Heberle still in Sheffield and saying Saturday night Mass in July and August? I think of him often—he is such a devout and kind priest.

— Yvonne Wocel

A NEW LOCAL NEWSPAPER

The Berkshire Record, a weekly newspaper serving southern Berkshire County, will be on the stands in mid-June. Anthony and Donna Prisendorf, owners of Limestone Communications, bring 25 years of newspaper experience to this new endeavor. Their office is at 12 Castle Street, in the heart of the theater district in Great Barrington. They plan to "cover the Berkshires like the morning dew," and they welcome all input, advertising, etc. *And* they are looking for a Monterey correspondent. The *Monterey News* welcomes this sister publication!

LOCAL THEATER FESTIVALS

The Berkshire Theater Festival, Stockbridge: *Lute Song*, June 26-July 15; *The Middle Ages*, July 18-29; *Betrayal*, August 1-12; *Tete A Tete*, August 15-26. Call 298-5536.
The Mac-Hayden Theater, Chatham, N. Y.: *Jerry's Girls*, June 1-4; *Naughty Marietta*, June 7-18; *The Sound of Music*, June 21-July 2. Call 518-392-9292.

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CALENDAR

Fridays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30—"Good News Gang," at the Church, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Children from kindergarten through the sixth grade: bring a sandwich and come for fun and learning.

Sunday, June 4—Celebration of A. Wallace Tryon's 95th birthday: open house at the firehouse in honor of Monterey's historian and the founder of the fire department. 2:00-4:00 p.m.

—Open house at New Marlborough Central School for Georgiana O'Connell, Monterey Selectman and retiring teacher. Parents, students, her former students—all welcome. 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 6—Monterey Summer Festival Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m. in Church social room. Everyone is welcome: we need all possible input to make this great event happen with joy and distinction.

Saturday, June 10—Square and Contra Dance, New England style, at the Sheffield Grange, Route 7, Sheffield, Mass. 8:30-11:30 p.m. Beginners and children welcome. All dances taught by caller Joe Baker, music by Mountain Laurel. Refreshments served. Adults $4; Children $1 to dance until intermission. Information: 413-528-9385 or 518-329-7578.

Wednesday, June 14—Community Supper, 6:30 p.m. in Church social room. David McAllester will give his impressions of China as seen May 3-22, 1989. Bring your latest secret food specialty and enjoy those of your neighbors.

Wednesday, June 21 and 28—Nature walk for children aged 6-12, with naturalist and author Bonner McAllester. See elsewhere in this issue for details.

Saturday, June 24—Lake Garfield Association meeting, 10:00 a.m. at the dam. Election of officers, report on the lake study now under way. Share information and concerns about one of Monterey's most important assets.

Saturday, June 24—Square and Contra Dance at the Sheffield Grange. This program is for people who have done it before. For other information see June 10, above.

Tuesday, June 27—Monterey Summer Festival Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Church social room. The culmination of the creative and antic notions of this committee is close to realization. There is still time for your input: see the notices everywhere in this issue.

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FIRE COMPANY STEAK ROAST AND DANCE

Tickets are now available from the Fire Company for the annual steak roast. As always, it is the last Saturday in July, the 29th this year. Tickets will be $14.00 apiece. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., with dancing to music by Bev Rohlehr, afterwards. If you don't hear from a fireman soon, get in touch with one of us, as we always sell out. Don't miss Monterey's biggest party.

HELP WANTED: MONTEREY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Applicant must have a Class II license. Experience in running construction machinery, and some mechanical experience, helpful. Employee in this position will be on call 24 hours a day during winter months for sanding and plowing.

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LAKE GARFIELD ASSOCIATION

Welcome to summer!
Don't forget!

1. The first meeting is on Saturday, June 24, at 10:00 a.m. at the dam on Beartown Road. A review will be presented on the Diagnostic Study and Environmental Evaluation for Lake Garfield that is presently under way.
2. Election will be held for new officers of the Association for the coming year.
3. *Please* send in your contributions to help pay for the $18,000 dollar study. The Town Meeting voted to fund a portion of the study, and the Lake Garfield Association committed to assist in this financing. So far we have received over $1,700 in donations from people interested in the quality of the lake. Send your donations in now.

See you all soon.

— Dean P. Amidon, President

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION NEWS

The Cooperative Extension, University of Massachusetts has announced several summer projects. 1. Equus Learning Project, 4-H: an opportunity to work with horses and people. The project includes horseback riding as therapy for handicapped people. Call 448-8285. 2. Camp Howe: camp experience in a cross-cultural atmosphere — July 2-4, and 4-6. Call 448-8285.

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